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(57) **Abstract:** The invention provides 2 aryl substituted derivatives of melatonin. The invention further provides pharmaceutical compositions comprising such derivatives, methods for preparing such derivatives, and methods of using such derivatives to induce general anesthesia, sedation, and/or hypnotic or sleep effects in a patient, and to treat conditions affected by melatonin activity in a patient.